CHAPTER 15.5.

TRANSMISSIBLE GASTROENTERITIS

Article 15.5.1.

General provisions

For the purposes of the *Terrestrial Code*, the *infective period* for transmissible gastroenteritis (TGE) shall be 40 days.

Standards for diagnostic tests are described in the *Terrestrial Manual*.

Article 15.5.2.

Recommendations for the importation of pigs for breeding or rearing

Veterinary Authorities of *importing countries* should require the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that the *animals*:

1) showed no clinical sign of TGE on the day of shipment;

AND EITHER

2) come from an *establishment* in which no *case* of TGE was reported during the 12 months prior to shipment;

and

3) showed negative results to a diagnostic test for TGE during the 30 days prior to shipment, and were kept isolated during this period;

OR

4) come from a country in which TGE is officially notifiable and no clinical *case* has been recorded in the previous three years.

Article 15.5.3.

Recommendations for the importation of pigs for slaughter

Veterinary Authorities of *importing countries* should require the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that the *animals*:

1) showed no clinical sign of TGE on the day of shipment;
2) come from an *establishment* in which no *case* of TGE was officially reported during the 40 days prior to shipment.

Article 15.5.4.

Recommendations for the importation of semen of pigs

Veterinary Authorities of *importing countries* should require the presentation of an *international veterinary certificate* attesting that:

1) the donor *animals* showed no clinical sign of TGE on the day of collection of the semen;

AND EITHER

2) the donor *animals* have been resident for at least 40 days on an *artificial insemination centre*, and all the pigs on this *artificial insemination centre* were free from clinical signs of TGE during the 12 months prior to collection;

and

3) for fresh semen, the donor *animals* were subjected to a diagnostic test for TGE with negative results during the 30 days prior to collection;
4) for frozen semen, the donor *animals* were subjected to a diagnostic test for TGE with negative results at least 14 days after collection;

OR

5) the donor *animals* have been resident since birth in a country in which TGE is officially notifiable and no clinical *case* has been recorded in the previous three years;

and in all situations:

6) the semen was collected, processed and stored in conformity with the provisions of Chapters 4.5. and 4.6.